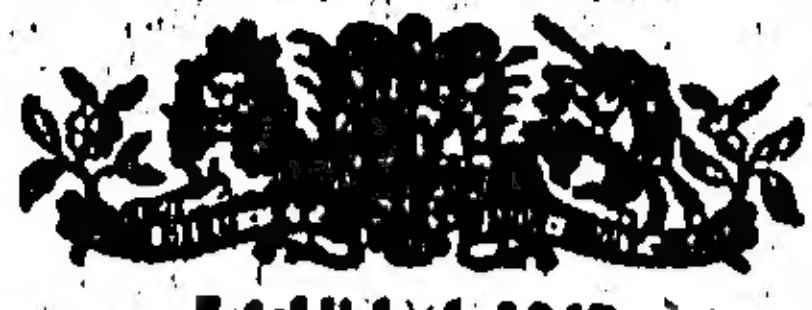




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GIs Leaving

THE Kishi-Eisenhower decision to begin the withdrawal of American forces should be well received in Japan. It was as much as political commentators had hoped for before Mr Kishi's departure for Washington. Although there has been no serious agitation for the withdrawal of American forces there has been a fairly strong current of feeling that their presence compromises Japan's full independence.

But the idea that the American forces should eventually leave has been current for some time—ever since Japan announced plans for its own self-defence forces. This six-year plan is now in its third year—and apparently America is satisfied that the build-up is progressing satisfactorily and that the departure of its men will not leave a serious military vacuum in that area, particularly in view of still current mutual security arrangements.

IN the fiscal year 1956 Japan planned to increase its armed forces to a total of 215,000 men. The manpower targets for the six-year plan envisage an Army of 180,000 and if last year's plans were fulfilled Japan should now have more than three-quarters of that number.

The Kishi-Eisenhower withdrawal agreement is to be geared to the plan to expand Japan's self-defence force, so that as the force grows more and more American troops will leave. The agreement provides for the immediate withdrawal of all US ground combat forces and it seems that Japan could hardly ask for a better arrangement at the present time.

The day before the Eisenhower-Kishi statement, the UN command announced its intention to rearm its forces in South Korea. This may have been a coincidence, but it seems that at least part of the modern equipment now destined for Korea may come from the withdrawing American combat forces in Japan.

ALSO America has decided to retain Okinawa, the Ryukyus and the Bonin Islands, the latter two as long as "the conditions of threat and tension exist in the Far East." Ultimately, the agreement makes clear, they will be returned to Japan but there is clearly no cause for speculation that America is now beginning to abandon its military role in the northern hemisphere of the Far East. In fact, all these decisions make it clear that America is consolidating its positions by eliminating its bases in areas where replacement defences are being prepared and strengthening a more vulnerable area. There seems also to be a body of opinion in Japan in favour of the introduction of guided missiles partly to supplement existing forces and partly to effect manpower economies later.

THIS touches on a vexed political question—should they be equipped with atomic warheads or not. The recent attitude of the Japanese Government to the British hydrogen bomb tests would suggest that there is no immediate prospect, although Japan's defence leaders feel that as a result of the rapid advance in the field of tactical nuclear weapons, Japan should be prepared against atomic attacks in some way.

The Prime Minister, however, is clearly against use of nuclear weapons and has vowed that he will refuse the Americans permission to store atomic warheads in his country, so that there is little prospect of Japan adopting the nuclear deterrent in the near future. For the time being, however, the United States is clearly satisfied that this presents no grave obstacle to its own defensive arrangements in the area.

US SHIRT FACTORY FOR HK

No Competition With Colony Markets

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

AN American textile manufacturer will shortly begin mass production of sport shirts in a modern factory in Hongkong for consumption in the United States, it was learned from a reliable source this morning.

The construction of the six-storey factory is nearing completion and it is hoped it will be in operation in a couple of months' time.

The same source also revealed that the garments will be exported exclusively to United States markets; and there is no plan to sell any of its products in local or Southeast Asian markets.

The idea of American industrialists building their own factory in Hongkong is believed to have originated from the reluctance of big local manufacturers to accept large and uncertain American orders at the expense of regular customers, while smaller factories are not able singly to fulfil an American order and the lack of standardisation in sizes makes it impracticable to have one order fulfilled by a number of factories.

AMERICAN COTTON

The sport shirts or other fancy wear produced in the new factory will be mostly made of American cotton to be spun, woven, dyed and printed in Japan, and then tailored into ready-to-wear garments in Hongkong.

The American interests had bought a suitable site of some 60,000 square feet at Castle Peak Road, Shamshuipo, for the construction of this six-storey building. Between 500 and 600 workers are expected to be employed in the initial stages, producing about 30,000 dozens of garments each month. Output will be stepped up later.

The new factory is expected to be completed by the end of July or early August. Up-to-date tailoring machinery (automatic and semi-automatic) is already arriving here from the United States.

All designing and styling will be prepared either in the United States or will be done here by American technicians who will arrive here next month.

WAS A TOURIST

The same source said the American manufacturer who will also return here next month came to Hongkong as a tourist about a year ago and decided to set up a subsidiary factory here for his shirt making business.

In January this year the State Department announced that Japan will limit textile export to America by placing an annual overall export limit of 235 million square yards in the next five years.

The Secretary of Nanyang Cotton Mills Ltd, Mr C. D. Silas, would make no further comment today on his purchase of 100,000 sq. feet of land at Kun Tong yesterday.

Yesterday he said the land would be used for textile processing purposes but final plans had not been completed.

"An announcement will be made later when we have everything finalised," Mr Silas said.

ANTI-SEMITISM IN ARMY

Bonn, June 24. A captain of the new West German Army has been relieved of his duties for having called one of his subordinates a "dirty Jew," it was announced here today.

The captain was in charge of an engineering company stationed in Munich. He was said to have insulted the soldier in front of witnesses while in a state of drunkenness.

West German Defence Ministry said the measure was aimed at creating a precedent to prevent any revival of anti-Semitism in the army.—France-Press.

War Risk Nil, Says Monty

Belfast, June 24. Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, said at Aldergrove today that the risks of a new world war were "practically nil."

"A war would certainly not be started by the allies," he said, adding that the chance of Russia starting one was unlikely.

Lord Montgomery, who was inspecting the Royal Air Force Base at Aldergrove, said that British and American troops should remain in West Germany.—France-Press.

An Example Of Stoicism

London, June 24. The Manchester Guardian quoted as "an example of stoicism" the following unsigned letter—ostensibly from a bricklayer in the Barbados to his contracting firm:

Respected Sir,
When I got to the building, I found that the hurricane had knocked some bricks off the top. So I rigged up a beam with a pulley at the top of the building and hoisted up a couple of barrels full of bricks. When I had fixed the building, there was a lot of bricks left over.

"I hoisted the barrel back up again and secured the line at the bottom, and then went up and filled the barrel with extra bricks. Then I went to the bottom and cast off the line.

"Unfortunately, the barrel of bricks was heavier than I was, and before I knew what was happening, the barrel started down, jerking me off the ground. I decided to hang on and halfway up I met the barrel coming down and received a severe blow on the shoulder.

Going Down

"I then continued to the top, banging my head against the beam and getting my fingers jammed in the pulley. When the barrel hit the ground it burst its bottom, allowing all the bricks to spill out.

"I was now heavier than the barrel and so started down again at high speed. Halfway down, I met the barrel coming up and received severe injuries to my shins. When I hit the ground I landed on the bricks, getting several painful cuts from the sharp edges.

"At this point I must have lost my presence of mind, because I let go the line. The barrel then came down giving me another heavy blow on the head and putting me in hospital.

"I respectfully request sick leave."—United Press.

MAJOR ROW IN LABOUR PARTY

From CHAPMAN PINCHER

London, June 24. A MAJOR row is going on in the Socialist Party. It will greatly strengthen Mr Aneurin Bevan's bid to snatch the leadership from Mr Hugh Gaitskell.

The row is over the H-bomb.

Mr John Strachey, former War Minister, now supports the anti-bomb stand on which Bevan is challenging for leadership.

Strachey was behind Gaitskell in supporting Britain's need for atomic weapons to counter the massed manpower of the Red Army.

But he has now changed his mind—and is urging all-round atomic disarmament with ultimate reliance on conventional military forces.

He has sent a memorandum on this to the Socialist defence subcommittee.

CRITICAL TIME

Gaitskell says this "sudden defection" as a stab in the back at a critical time. He believed that he could rely on the support of Strachey who was a member of the government which decided to make atomic weapons.

There have been harsh words between Strachey and some of the colleagues in the "Shadow Cabinet."

SOVIET DESTROYERS IN RED SEA

Cairo, June 24. TWO Soviet destroyers which arrived at Port Said yesterday, passed through the Suez Canal into the Red Sea today.

The destroyers are the first Russian warships to pass through the Canal since it was reopened last April.

They were piloted through the Canal by Soviet pilots of the Egyptian Canal Authority. (Six Soviet warships—a cruiser, two destroyers and three torpedo boats—passed through the Suez Canal last Wednesday and Thursday, heading for the Mediterranean.)

JAPAN TO FOLLOW BRITAIN'S CHINA TRADE LEAD

Washington, June 24.

MR Nobusuke Kishi, the Japanese Prime Minister notified President Eisenhower at his recent White House talks that Japan soon would follow Britain's lead and relax the trade embargo against China, authoritative sources said today.

Removal Begins

POLICE STAND BY AT CHUK YUEN

The Police mobilised about 100 officers and men early this morning to supervise the removal of shops, houses and garden plots in Chuk Yuen Village, near Kowloon City.

Today is the last day on which those affected have to vacate their premises. Government gave notice of resumption many weeks ago.

Hitherto, the villagers have refused to take notice of the order and have since remained put.

Yesterday, the day before the removal deadline, Police squads were patrolling the village.

About 7 a.m. today, the Police strength increased to about 100. They were armed with tear gas guns to meet any resistance.

So far, however, about 70 shops have been removed, giving no trouble.

The displaced persons are to be resettled in other Government resettlement areas.

Independence Offer To Nigeria

London, June 24.

Britain has offered independence to Nigeria, her biggest colony, subject to conditions which would determine the timing later, delegates to the Nigeria constitutional conference said today.

Delegation sources said the Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, leading the British side, had refused to set a specific date for the grant of independence which the Nigerians had demanded in 1959.

One of the British conditions was said to be that a newly-elected Nigerian Parliament—which would meet by February 1960, if not earlier—should approve an independence motion on which Britain could act for the emergence of the big West African colony into full sovereignty.—Reuter.

AMOY SELLING

Japan's decision was expected to be announced within a few weeks, probably after a meeting of the 13-nation "Chincom" committee, which administers the China trade controls, in Paris early next month.

The meeting of the Chincom group was called for July to establish the quotas for export items which Britain has freed for trade with China.

These quotas, it was expected, would be adopted by most of the other nations on the committee.

Japan reacted cautiously when Britain announced its new China trade policy on May 30.

But Mr Kishi, in his talks at the White House and in public statements after his arrival, spoke of Japan's "economic necessity" to trade with China and intimated that his immediate goal was to increase Japan's exports to the mainland by two-thirds.

Japan was expected to decide in favour of abolishing the entire differential between the Soviet embargo list and the much stricter China control list. This would bring its policy in line with that of Britain.

The alternative for Japan would be a decision to relax the embargo only to the degree suggested by the United States and the Chincom talks last month. This alternative is rejected as impracticable for a nation which, like Britain, cannot afford to ignore any market, no matter how small at first.

Two other factors appear to have influenced Japan's decision to inform the United States position.

Other Factors

The factors are:
★ 1. The possibility of keen competition between Japan and Britain, both heavily dependent on the export of manufactured goods, for markets in China.

★ 2. Japan's acceptance of the British argument that the differential between the Soviet and China lists has outlived its usefulness and that a refusal to sell non-strategic goods on anything but strategic grounds now is an act of economic warfare.—Reuter.

No Break In Saudi-Syrian Relations

Damascus, June 24.

The Saudi Arabian Ambassador to Syria, Abdul Aziz bin Zeid, was reported tonight to be in Beirut, but a Syrian Government spokesman said there had been no break in relations between the two countries.

Zeid departed after handing a note from the Saudi Government in an hour-long Sunday morning conference to President Shukri al Kuwailid of Syria.

The Saudi Embassy is now in the charge of a chargé d'affaires and is handling pilgrim traffic only, according to the Syrian press.—United Press.

TYPHOON LATEST

At 9 o'clock this morning, typhoon Virginia was centred about 420 miles east by south of Hongkong.

It was moving NNW at 8 knots.

Forecast for today: light to moderate northerly wind. Fair not hot during the afternoon, becoming cloudy this evening.

Climbers Killed

Rome, June 24. Three Italian mountain climbers, including a girl, were killed yesterday when they fell off a precipice near the crest of Reginald mountain.

A fourth climber was seriously injured.—United Press.

ESCAPEE CAUGHT BOARDING AIRCRAFT

Bristol, June 24. A man who broke out of prison last year, and was free for eight months, escaped from an escort in London's law courts today—but was recaptured six hours later near here tonight.

The man, Alfred George Hinds, 40, was about to board a plane to Dublin where he spent most of his freedom last year—when he was recognised by an airport receptionist.

She warned police and they arrived just as the plane was starting up.

A man said by police to be Hinds' brother, Albert, was taken into custody as he stood in the waiting room to see the plane off.

A third man, believed to be the driver of a car used in Hinds' escape, was also arrested.

Hinds was serving 12 years for his part in a £35,000 raid.

HANDCUFFS REMOVED

This morning, Hinds arrived at the law courts with two guards to take part in an action he had lodged against prison commissioners, but on the way to a toilet his handcuffs were removed.

An accomplice sprang from a dark corner in the corridor and both he and Hinds turned on the guards, bundling them into the toilet. The door was locked, and the two men ran away.

Although Hinds had been recognised, he was allowed to pass through customs and board the aircraft, which stayed on the ground until police arrived.

A policeman who took Hinds from the plane said "He was a bit troublesome and asked why he was being arrested."—China Mail Special.

FRENCH PREMIER WINS VOTE

Paris, June 24.

PREMIER Maurice Bourges-Maumoury won a confidence vote tonight from the National Assembly on a bill designed to pull France out of a serious financial situation. The vote was 252 to 210.

The Assembly confirmed M. Bourges-Maumoury in office after the 42-year-old Radical leader had bluntly challenged the Lower House to overturn him "if you think you can find a broader, more solid majority."

The Chamber obviously felt there was not any, and by a safe margin of 42 votes endorsed his controversial economic recovery programme, including special taxation to the tune of 150,000,000,000 francs (\$5420,000,000). The Assembly showed no enthusiasm for M. Bourges-Maumoury's tax measures. Most members felt they could hardly vote out his 12-day-old government when they had ousted the Socialist premier, M. Guy Mollet, on the same issue on May 21.—United Press.

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PRIME MINISTERS GATHER

SIX MEN GOING DOWN ZAMBEZI

Balovale, June 24. Six men in three small canoes will start a dangerous and exciting trip of 1,500 miles down the Zambezi.

They will shoot treacherous rapids and spend months in isolation but when they reach the 87-mile wide delta they will have satisfied a lifelong ambition.

THREE CANOES

The trip will start at Balovale, in the northwest corner of Rhodesia near the Angola border and end in Belra, in Portuguese East Africa.

With £1,000, three fibre-glass canoes and the bare minimum of supplies they are ready to start.

Canoes and equipment will have to be carried for about 60 miles to pass the Victoria Falls. Portage will again be necessary at the Kariba Gorge, where the new dam is being built.

MAPTA GORGE

The most fearsome part of the trip will be the Mapta Gorge, where for miles the river winds between steep cliffs, reaching only reaching the swiftly flowing water at noon.

There are dangerous whirlpools and with the wind blowing up the water is sometimes whipped into waves four feet high.

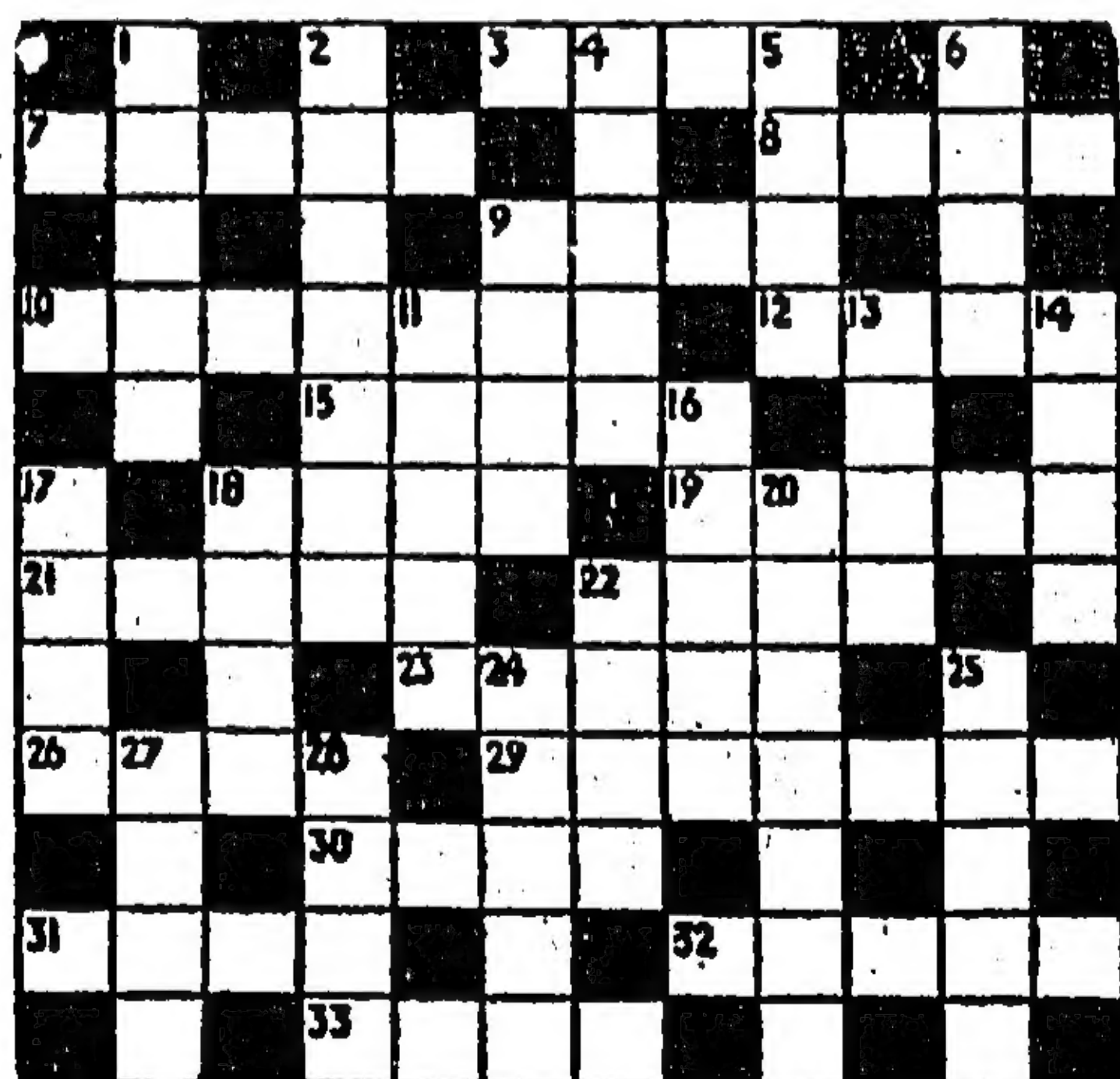
From the Victoria Falls to the Chirundu Road Bridge is a desolate stretch of 600 miles. There is no habitation and the last 180 miles is a no-go control area. —France-Press.

COLLISION

Norfolk, June 24. Two Navy twin-engine attack bombers collided in the air above Norfolk today and plunged into the Hampton Roads a mile and a half offshore. A search for the four occupants turned up only debris, a life jacket and a life raft, the Navy said. —United Press.

Albuquerque, June 24. Two small children, missing since yesterday afternoon were found crumpled in a refrigerator today, apparently dead of suffocation. —United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 3 Born minutes (4).
 - 7 Accidental excursion? (5).
 - 8 Bitter phrase (4).
 - 9 Rene's bird (4).
 - 10 Thinking of writing? (7).
 - 12 Ostentatious office for a politician (4).
 - 15 College window (5).
 - 18 Man-made delly (4).
 - 19 Moving stalk? (5).
 - 21 Distinguished (5).
 - 22 Current abbreviation (4).
 - 23 Jollification in Germany? (5).
 - 26 Make the highest possible appeal? (4).
 - 28 Edits communist legislation (7).
 - 30 Covent Garden air? (4).
 - 31 Piece of cake (4).
 - 32 Make me nod, the devil (5).
 - 33 Very poor condition (4).
- DOWN**
- 1 Light ground? (5).
 - 2 Incident poetically concluded? (7).
 - 4 Ruge's worth of soup? (5).
 - 5 Progress made by beeking favourite (4).
 - 6 Cut off odd bits (4).
 - 9 A bit of devilry (4).
 - 11 Shackles for housewives? No, Sir (5).
 - 13 Foot for man and boat (4).
 - 14 Out some fruit (4).
 - 16 Halt (5).
 - 17 Thunderous applause? (4).
 - 18 Just a thought (4).
 - 20 Orator in parliament? (7).
 - 22 A square aperture has it (4).
 - 24 Lion-like hauteur? (5).
 - 25 Move to pull your socks up? (5).
 - 27 Devastating result (4).
 - 28 Tale featuring the Navy (4).

MONDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Damned, 7 Raid, 9 Allen, 10 Gr-ave, 11 Edge, 12 Disc-over, 13 Ed, 14 R-end, 15 Ede, 16 B-lag-gard, 17 Seat, 18 A-cies, 19 Anger, 20 Oily (rev.), 21 Trawl-y, 22 Down, 23 A-mis, 24 Man-ey, 25 Dogged, 26 Freya, 27 Tid, 28 Abdic, 29 Endish, 30 Dope, 31 Crag, 32 Smart, 33 Left, 34 Gave, 35 Right, 36 Bait.

Russian Action In Hungary Hit By Suhrawardy

By FRASER WIGHTON

London, June 24.

Mr H. S. Suhrawardy, Prime Minister of Pakistan, said here today the Russian action in Hungary last autumn was "the most blatant example of imperialism and colonialism that we have seen."

The Pakistan statesman, arriving in London for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference, told reporters he had always taken the view that the suppression of the aspirations of the Hungarian people by Russian armed forces was "a crime against humanity and against all principles of fair play between nations."

He thought Russia herself realised this by now. He was sure that, however powerful she might be, she also felt the necessity of world opinion being ranged on her side, and would like to have friendly contacts with others.

Mr Suhrawardy was one of several Commonwealth statesmen who reached London today to attend the conference which opens on Wednesday with statesmen present from 10 Commonwealth countries.

Analysing

The Commonwealth Prime Ministers will be analysing the world situation in the light of changes since they last met a year ago — before the Suez crisis and the revolt in Hungary. The Middle East situation and East-West relations will rank high in their discussions.

Mr John Diefenbaker, the new Prime Minister of Canada, was another of today's arrivals at the airport.

"As a result of the grand adherence of new parts to the Commonwealth a strength is being established which seems almost paradoxical. It is apparent that the strength of freedom is freedom itself," he said. He foreshadowed one likely topic for conference discussion in suggesting that a Commonwealth trade conference to discuss trade within the member states should be convened at a reasonably early date.

Dr Kwame Nkrumah, Prime Minister of the new independent Commonwealth nation of Ghana — one of the "new parts" of the Commonwealth to which Mr Diefenbaker was apparently referring — at a luncheon here today spoke of the role of Ghana — formerly the colonial

Gold Coast — in the Commonwealth.

He said Ghana realised its responsibilities to the rest of Africa by demonstrating that the African was capable of governing himself effectively.

Youngest of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers at 48, he told a gathering of Commonwealth correspondents assembled in his honour.

"Our relationship with the United Kingdom is soundly based, and I am confident that the new relationships we are already forging with other members of the Commonwealth will also be sound and realistic."

He appealed to correspondents to help in eliminating incorrect and ill-judged speculation which, he said, must certainly hurt the future of his country.

He asked that in making judgments about Ghana, people should give the new nation time to sort itself out. "We have been independent for scarcely three months," he said.

They were bound to make mistakes, but he believed the future would confirm and strengthen Africans' reputation for commonsense.

Audience

Two of the visiting Prime Ministers — Dr Nkrumah and Mr R. G. Menzies of Australia, were today received in audience by Queen Elizabeth, who will give audiences to all the visiting statesmen while they are here. She is also giving a state banquet for them on Wednesday.

Dr Nkrumah and Mr Diefenbaker paid calls on Mr Harold Macmillan, the United Kingdom Prime Minister. During the day New Zealand's representative, Mr Thomas L. MacDonald, Minister for External Affairs, arrived in London.

He has come in place of Mr Sidney Holland, the Prime Minister, who is indisposed. Answering reporters' questions, he said that now the British nuclear tests near Christmas Island in the central Pacific were completed, there would not be much point in people making representations. The Conference to be held in the Cabinet Room of 10, Downing Street, will continue until July 5, when an official communique will be issued.

Tragic Episode

Mr Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, told press conference in Stockholm that the events in Hungary were fundamentally a national uprising which was suppressed.

"It could have been incited from the outside," he said, "but fundamentally it was a national uprising. There is no doubt about that. It was a tragedy. It was a terribly tragic episode."

"Most of our sympathies are with the people of Hungary. They should be able to live their own lives after their own choice." Asked how this could be done, Mr Nehru replied: "I do not know. It is a complicated question, but it is not an isolated question. It is connected with the cold war. Some countries are unfortunately brought into the game. I personally do not know how to help, but there must be help in some way." —Routier.

POLICEMAN WINS PRIZE

Berlin, June 24. A 20-year-old West Berlin policeman, Hans-Joachim, has just won a television prize of a two-week stay in Japan, it was learned here today.

Hans-Joachim will go to Japan by air by way of the North Pole and will return via India and the Middle East.

The lucky policeman said he was happy with his windfall and would take his prize with him during the trip. He will be away for two weeks. —France-Press.

TORNADO WRECKS VILLAGE



A giant cyclone which swept across vast areas of Northern Italy last week created havoc and destruction through farmland, villages and towns. Five people were killed and fifty injured when a tornado struck the village of Passo Villa Scura near Piacenza. The picture above shows a general view of the wreckage while the picture on the right shows the interior of a wrecked church. —Keystone Photos.

LEBANON ACCUSES RUSSIA

Beirut, June 24.

The Lebanon tonight accused the Soviet Union of "regrettable interference in the Lebanon's private affairs."

The accusation was made in a Lebanese note handed to the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Sergei Kiktev, replying to a Soviet note of June 11, which was published without Lebanese agreement.

The Lebanese note said the Russian interference stemmed from Soviet criticism of the Lebanon's acceptance of the Eisenhower Doctrine.

CRITICISED

Today's note said: "Russia criticised the acceptance of the doctrine although it has never been the subject of discussion between the two governments."

"This shows that the Soviet intends to foster resistance to the Doctrine from the general level to the level of Soviet-Lebanese foreign policy."

It added: "The Soviet allegations (that the Lebanese people did not support the Government's foreign policy) represent a regrettable interference in the Lebanon's private affairs."

"The relationship between the Lebanese people and the government and their support or lack of support are matters concerning the Lebanon alone." —Routier.

ANIMALS TROUBLE RESIDENTS

Zomba, June 24.

Elephants, leopards, lions, hyenas and jackals have been busy in the Zomba district.

A leopard paid an afternoon visit to the Zomba house of Mr J. D. Kennan recently. It killed his dog and made off.

The next afternoon, it returned and tried to carry off Mr Kennan's other dog, but one of the servants chased it away. The dog only suffered minor injuries.

In Chief Livon's district, a herd of elephants had been troubling the villagers, but after one of them had been shot and killed the herd moved off.

A young lion seen further north, taking pigs, is still free. —France-Press.

BALLOON BARRAGE SUSPENDED FOR A TIME

Munich, June 24. Officials of Radio Free Europe said today the big plastic balloons that carried 300 million uncensored newspapers over the Iron Curtain have now been grounded — indefinitely and perhaps forever.

Authoritative sources said the balloon barrage "angers" to have outlived its usefulness — at least for the time being. For 2½ years, the balloons



CONTEMPT CONVICTIONS SET ASIDE BY US SUPREME COURT

Washington, June 24.

The Supreme Court today set aside contempt convictions against seven more persons who refused to answer questions asked by committees investigating Communism.

It also set aside the conspiracy convictions of six Detroit Communists and sent their cases back to the lower Court for further proceedings. They were convicted under a Smith Act provision making it a crime to advocate violent overthrow of the government.

Today's actions pointed up the wide-ranging effect of last week's decisions re-interpreting the Smith Act and requiring that witnesses before Federal and State legislative investigating groups must be properly apprised of the purpose for which they are being questioned.

DECISIONS

The Court cited those decisions in today's action. The Detroit defendants convicted under the Smith Act were Saul Wellman, Nathan Kaplan, Thomas de Witt Dennis Jr, Philip Schatz, Helen Winter and William Allan.

In sending these and the contempt cases back to the lower courts, the Supreme Court merely instructed the lower courts to take another look at the convictions in view of last week's

decisions. Its action does not mean that those involved necessarily will be given new trials or freed.

SENT BACK

The Court set aside the contempt convictions of four Ohioans who refused to answer questions before the State's Un-American Activities Commission. The brief order sent the cases back to the Ohio Supreme Court for reconsideration in the light of last Monday's rulings restricting the investigating power of legislative groups.

One Ohio case involved Tammage Raley, Joseph Stern and Emmett Calvin Brown, who refused to answer numerous questions at a State Commission session in Cincinnati on October 20, 1952. —United Press.

DEPORTATIONS FROM HUNGARY TO RUSSIA INCREASING

Says Refugee Leader

United Nations, June 24.

A Hungarian refugee leader declared today that deportations from Hungary to Russia increased from 35,000 to 51,000 in one month and that smuggled evidence showed four to five persons executed daily.

De Bela Fabian, a member of the Hungarian National Council, whose headquarters are in New York, demanded an immediate meeting of the United Nations General Assembly to end mass liquidation of Hungarian youth and freedom fighters.

STARK DETAILS

Dr Fabian made his demand in a letter to the US representative, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge. He showed newsmen a letter smuggled from Hungary giving stark details of the present situation within the country, which he intends to present to

the Secretary General, Mr Dag Hammarskjöld.

Mr Lodge called a 24-nation meeting here on Wednesday to decide whether to ask for reconvening of the Assembly, now in recess. The 24 countries invited are those that sponsored the resolution setting up the Assembly's special Investigating Committee last January.

The committee's revelation of Soviet brutality, in a 160,000-word report last week, brought demands for reconvening the Assembly. Diplomatic observers estimated that at this point there was better than a 50-50 chance the 51-nation Parliament would be called back into session, probably next month. Some delegates, however, preferred to leave the situation dormant until September, when Foreign Ministers will be gathering here for the regular Assembly session.

LIQUIDATING

In his letter to Mr Lodge, Dr Fabian charged that the Russians were "liquidating the best of our youth." Dr Fabian said 10 to 15 persons were being executed daily on Soviet orders.

He said the National Council had evidence that deportation to Soviet slave labor camps jumped 16,000 to 52,000 in one month and "the prisons and the recently reopened concentration camps are crowded." —United Press.

FINANCE MINISTER MOBBED

Bombay, June 24.

Indian Finance Minister T.T. Krishnamachari was menaced today by an angry crowd of government employees who manhandled the Minister's chauffeur and personal assistant and held up his car, in front of the income tax office in Bombay.

The demonstration occurred when the Finance Minister refused to grant an interview to representatives of the Central Board of the Revenue Employees Union, on the grounds that they had not made a prior appointment with him.

More than 1,000 government employees in the income tax and excise departments left their offices and staged a noisy demonstration as the Finance Minister was leaving the income tax building. The Finance Minister, unable to use his own car, which was held up by the crowd, drove away in a police jeep. —France-Press.

EAST-WEST TV & RADIO EXCHANGE

Washington, June 24.

The United States, in aide-memoire to the Soviet Union, today proposed the regular exchange of uncensored radio and television broadcasts between the two countries.

"The purpose of these broadcasts would be to promote a freer exchange of information and ideas on important world developments," the aide-memoire said.

The document was handed to the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Georgi Zarubin, at the State Department by Mr William S. Lacy, special assistant to the Secretary of State for east-west exchanges.

The Department's spokesman, Mr Lincoln White, told reporters that Mr Zarubin had said merely that he could not comment on the matter.

ALLIES CONSULTED He said the United States had consulted its allies before making this move. He recalled that the United States had made a similar proposal at the East-West "summit" conference in Geneva in 1955 and had spoken about it to Soviet leaders periodically since then. —Routier.

US Burlesque Suffers Death Blow

Washington, June 24.

American burlesque suffered a death blow today when the United States Supreme Court confirmed a New Jersey State Supreme Court ruling which banned the strip-tease.

New Jersey was one of the last strongholds of the strip-tease act. The New Jersey Supreme Court's decision, made in December, 1955, stated that any woman taking off her clothes on the stage to be nude or to give the illusion of nudity was committing an illegal act.

Owners of burlesque theatres in New Jersey appealed the decision on the grounds that it put an unconstitutional limitation upon freedom of expression and speech. —France-Press.

might drive Wladyslaw Gerasimov's "Independent" Communist government closer to the Kremlin.

These sources said RFE does not consider it worthwhile to continue the campaign solely for Czechoslovakia, which is virtually the only Soviet satellite state where there have been no reports of major unrest in recent months. —United Press.

last autumn, when Hungary and Poland demanded greater independence from the Kremlin. It has now been suspended altogether.

Authoritative sources said the scattering of balloon-borne newspapers in tense Hungary today probably would have no effect except to aggravate harsh Soviet repression in that country.

The sources said continued balloon barrage of Poland

soared over eastern Europe twice a month, carrying newspapers to the captive peoples of Hungary, Poland and Czechoslovakia.

Roars of fury from the Communist world bore witness to their effectiveness. Red propaganda blamed the balloons for air crashes, explosions and fires. Fighter planes and border guards tried to shoot them down and still they came.

The programme was curtailed

Long Knives And Nazi Children

By SEFTON DELMER

WAS there ever a genuine and definite plot against Hitler by Storm Troop chief Ernst Roehm in that hot fetid summer of June-July 1934?

Was the famous Night of the Long Knives (June 30, 1934), in which Roehm and anything from 60 to 200 other Germans were coldly murdered by the SS, at Hitler's command, the act of a cold, calculating despot anxious to rid himself of a power he considered dangerous to his own?

Pretext?

HERE it is now before us again in Volume Six of our own Foreign Office's "Documents on British Foreign Policy, 1919-1939."

The British Foreign Office is divided in its verdict. Sir Eric Phipps, the ambassador in Berlin, thought there had been a plot.

This is shown by the despatches he sent to London, now published for the first time. But his chiefs in the Foreign Office, Sir Orme Sargent and Sir Robert Vansittart, both took the view that the plot was an invention of Hitler's to give him the pretext for eliminating Roehm, and making his own peace with the army.

Sir Eric Phipps reports the change in Hitler's attitude after the Night of the Long Knives. "Something has changed in Hitler, who struck me at our first meeting as an 'unbalanced being'. His last week-end can only have made him still less normal."

Muttered

"MUSOLINI, so my Italian colleague informs me in

"Documents on British Foreign Policy 1919-1939" (H.M. Stationery Office), £5.

confidence, was astonished on telling Hitler in Venice of the assassination of the Polish Minister of the Interior at the tremendous effect produced upon him.

"Hitler changed colour, muttered that this was bad news indeed, and that such acts were catching."

The almost pathological unbalance of Goering also comes out in a despatch of Sir Eric Phipps on a visit he paid to what later was to become Goering's famous estate at Karinhall.

He reports how Goering, dressed in a rubber suit, with a huge hunting knife stuck in his belt, ordered to his guests from a bull-dog on the benches of some German bison he had produced before them.

Unreality

HE then rushed off and gave them another lecture on bird life. Then he led them to the Germanic mausoleum of his dead Swedish wife.

Says Sir Eric: "The whole proceedings were so strange as to convey a feeling of unreality. But they opened a window on to Nazi mentality."

"The chief impression was that of the almost pathetic naivete of General Goering who showed us his toys like a big, fat, spoilt child."

"And then I remembered there were other toys less innocent, though winged, and these might some day be launched on their murderous mission in the same childlike spirit and with the same childlike glee."

Our diplomats and the Foreign Office certainly had no illusions of what lay ahead of all of us after that Night of the Long Knives.



'They've ruined this park' says Epstein

—as he looks at the open-air sculpture exhibition

SIR JACOB EPSTEIN apparently takes a dim view of mechanical want your bust done, come sculpting. At the opening day of the London County Council's exhibition of sculpture in Holland Park he waved his stick expres-

sively at the rhododendrons and said, "Next time you want your bust done, come to me."

And so I would—if I had around £1,000 to spare. Sir Jacob's only work exhibited at Holland Park, a bronze head of "Esmer," sent in by

the Tate Gallery, is one of the few exhibits which seem to have been touched by human hands. Some of the others—incongruous shapes against the lush grass and dazzling flowers—seem to have been sculpted by a robot gone berserk.

For instance there is a twisted crusty piece of bronze called "Bird." Near it on the grass a sparrow hopped. I marvelled at the symmetry of the live bird.

Sir Jacob is very annoyed about "Esmer." "It was put in without my permission," he said. "People seem to think I'm dead. But I'm very much alive." He certainly looked it, this 77-year-old rebel, as he strode vigorously across the green grass. With him, dressed in a brightly flowered taffeta dress, was his wife, whom he married secretly two years ago, after she had been his model and secretary for several years.

"My wife seems more interested in the foxgloves," Sir Jacob joked as Lady Epstein gazed through a hole in a jagged piece of cement called "Standing Figure" at a less cultivated corner of Holland Park.

"There's a beautiful old stump of oak tree over there," she said. "It's much more beautiful than some of the things here."

That was my main impression, too. The natural surroundings sparkling in the summer sunshine, formed a vivid contrast to man's distorted interpretations of Nature.

Sir Jacob Epstein looked defiantly at a reclining nymph. "They've ruined this park," he said, "but there are too many of my confederates—or contemporaries—here for me to say much more."

Lady Epstein added her view on the nymph. "I don't like the disposition of the legs," she said. "It's much more beautiful than some of the things here."

By this time Sir Jacob had passed on to a tall nude granite statue of a man. It was called "Granite."

"Now, I like that boy's work," said Sir Jacob. "That boy" is 35-year-old sculptor John R. Skoppling, ARA, Professor of

I POSE FOR A ROBOT

'Smile, please,' said inventor George MacDonald Reid, and with a noise like an Underground train his mechanical Epstein went into action

HAS automation caught up on art? The other day I became the first female victim of a mechanical sculpting machine. Its inventor, middle-aged George MacDonald Reid, lives tucked away in a Marylebone mews cottage which he has converted into four compact cabin-like rooms. His mechanical Epstein, as he fondly calls it, is in the cellar.

"I don't know the first thing about sculpting," Mr Reid said proudly, "the machine does it all."

"It won't bite"

We descended the rickety stairs. There, in the scarlet-painted cellar, was the thing. "It won't bite," said Mr Reid as if talking about some docile family pet.

Round it a few white plaster heads—untouched by human hands—peered blindly through the dim light. Mr Reid sat me on a Gothic chair and balanced a rubber disc, suspended from the ceiling on my head.

"It's made from the plunger out of my kitchen sink," Mr Reid told me. But even this touch of domesticity did not entirely quell my apprehension.

Suddenly the lights went out. One piercing beam dazzled my eyes. Switches clicked. The chair on which I was sitting revolved. And, with a noise like an Underground train, the machine went into action.

"All over," said Mr Reid, like a dentist after a nervous filling.

In fact, he had taken 300 different profile photographs, the first step in the process of automated sculpture.

While the film was being developed in a tall test tube, Mr Reid told me how he first had the idea of creating his machine.

"When I was in the Army I used to do caricatures of the boys in the Mess," he said. "But I got bored with funny noses and hairy legs. I wanted a true likeness."

From that day Mr Reid was a man obsessed. As soon as he was demobbed he started collecting surplus war material. A camera from a Spitfire. Odd scraps of metal and wire.

Then he retired to a derelict farm in the country. Creation was under way. After a year's hibernation he emerged like a triumphant magician; the robot was ready.

"And now come into the Holy of Holies," Mr Reid said reverently, leading me through an arch into an even darker cellar. There, through a dense undergrowth of wires, levers and switches, I could just discern a white half-sculptured head.

"It's really quite simple," Mr Reid explained, "it works on the same principle as those contour maps you must have done at school."

But to me it seemed a far cry from those homely little diagrams of mountains I did in the geography class.

Mr Reid removed the half-finished head and put a new untouched cylinder of plaster in its place.

Relentless

A rotating needle, remotely controlled, jabbed into it with relentless and mechanical accuracy. Skin and bone were scratched into shape. Soon the head began to look almost human—and vaguely familiar.

... AND THIS IS THE RESULT



began to feel a rising nostalgia for those Royal Academy chocolate-box portraits . . .

The needle dug out a smile. My smile.

"It can even get the twinkle in the eye," Mr Reid said proudly. Obeyingly the needle went to work on the blank plaster eye. Grudgingly, I watched the twinkle appear.

Mr Reid was comforting. "Not many women would dare to see such a realistic likeness of themselves as this. No flattery here."

I agreed heartily. In fact I began to feel a rising nostalgia for those chocolate-box portraits I saw, and disappeared, at the Royal Academy.

I longed for a kind Mr Gunn, to make my eyes a fraction larger. Or a persuasive Signor Annigoni to curl my hair in the right direction.

Shrunken head

But there I was. Eye for eye. Tooth for tooth. Looking, to my prejudiced eyes, like a shrunken head from the South American jungle.

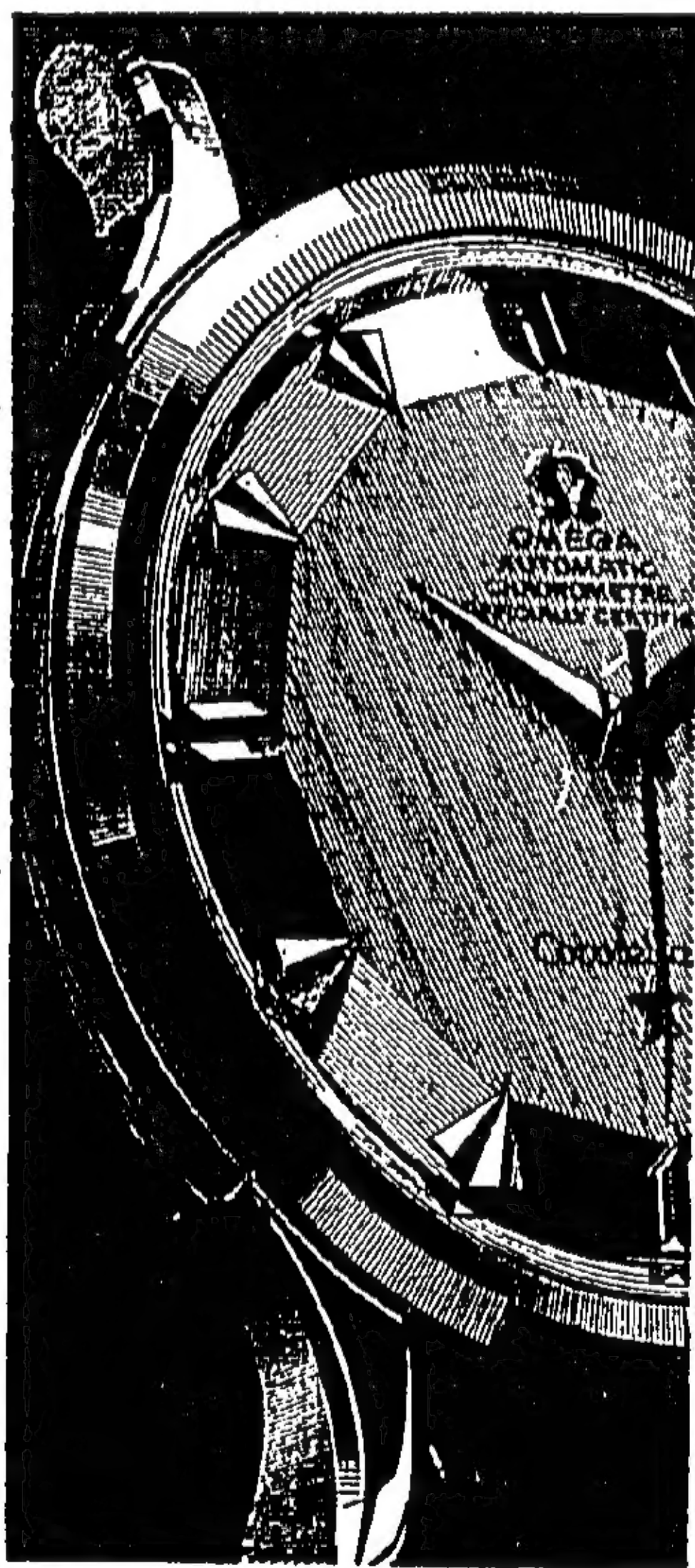
Mr Reid surveyed his latest masterpiece with relish. "Geographically it's you," he said.

If Mr Reid is right it's time I made some drastic changes in the scenery—a face-lift at least.

Or else find a robot which gives complimentary sittings—and it can name its price.

TECHNICAL FOOTNOTE

This is how Mr Reid's machine works: 300 pictures are taken for a film as the subject revolves in a complete circle. Each picture is then projected on to a screen and the image is traced by a pointer on the screen. As Mr Reid traces the outline a connecting arm operates a cutting needle which shapes the block of plaster. The process is repeated 300 times. London Express Service.



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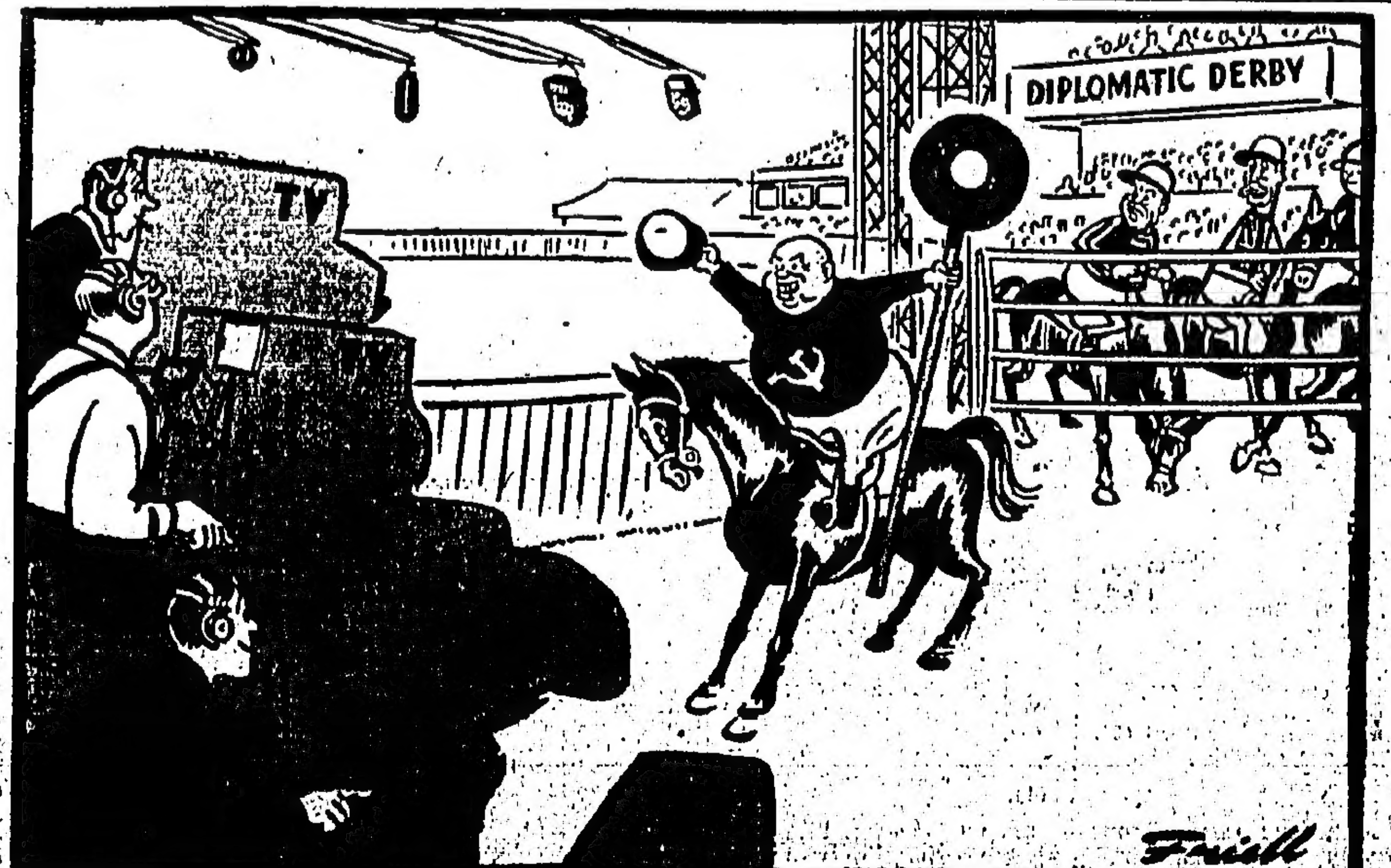
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FIRST AID FOR ALTHEA



First aid on Beckenham's Number Two court... Wimbledon favourite America's Althea Gibson has her right knee doctored by two nurses. She fell during her semi-final match against Christine Truman, but went on to win 6-0, 6-3. "It's nothing to worry about," said Althea. "There's no twist, just a graze."—Express Photo.

NOT IN THE BRADMAN CLASS

The Leg Stump Ball Keeps Both Peter May And Walcott Quiet

Says BRUCE DOOLAND

I have a good idea what the West Indies bowlers—and the England bowlers too—are feeling like right now. I've bowled to nearly all the characters engaged in this Test and know most of the headaches that go with that particular pastime.

Most of the experts these days rate Peter May and Clyde Walcott as joint batting champions of the world; and I suppose that is fair enough. I couldn't name any better anywhere. And although I've thought a great deal about it I can't make up my mind which of these two is the more difficult to bowl to.

Neither of them gives you much chance. They both command unyielding concentration. They both have a full range of strokes. And when they go for a shot they hit the ball with the speed of a bullet.

But I must say that neither is the most difficult customer I have had to try to contain. Not by a long chalk. I set that distinction against the name of the little man from Australia—Don Bradman.

I know where to bowl to Peter May to keep him quiet. If I pitch steadily on his leg-stump—with the ball turning away—he rarely risks a stroke. Clyde has much the same respect—caution if you like.

But not Bradman. The Don hit 'em wherever they were pitched. It didn't matter very much where I did with the ball, however hard I spun it. The little man hit it wherever he liked when he was in the mood.

THE ONLY ONE

And don't think I was the only one. I merely put it this way to give the personal experience. The Don hit them all—just as hard. I suppose the basis of his mastery was his incredible eye and perfection of judgment.

BRITAIN'S WALKER CUP TEAM

London, June 24. Britain's Walker Cup selectors have included a player from an artisan club—a working man's club—for the first time in choosing the team to meet the United States in the amateur golf matches at Minneapolis on August 30 and 31.

He is Douglas Sewell, 27-year-old railway signaller from Woking, Surrey, and the champion artisan golfer.

Sewell is one of a team of ten named to-day, in addition to the captain, Guy Milnes (Wickham), whose appointment had already been announced. They are:

M. F. Bonallack (Thorpe Hall), A. F. Russell (Coxmoor), J. B. Carr (Sutton, Dublin), Dr. E. R. Richards (Gilton Park), R. Jack (Dulwich), P. B. Sewell (Barnham), D. B. Sewell (Hook Heath Arisane), A. E. Shepherdson (Coxmoor), A. Thurman (Gosforth), G. B. Wetherby (Kilby, Mexico).

Impressive Display By Veteran Drobny

London, June 24.

There was a raincoat and umbrella opening to the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships today in contrast to the warm, summer weather of previous years.

Play began under dark, threatening clouds, and an hour later down came the rain to interrupt the opening day at Wimbledon for the first time since the war. Groundsmen quickly ran tarpaulin covers over the main courts, which looked lush and green after their twelve months' "rest".

Spectators around outside courts sought shelter but those in the free standing enclosure in the Centre Court dug bravely to their places, protecting themselves with newspapers and programmes. They were rewarded when play resumed after a delay of nearly two hours.

The delay was longer on outside courts, some of which had not been covered. Originally the 128 Men's Singles starters from 35 countries were to have been reduced to 64 by tonight, but the prospects of completing the first round today were remote.

The large crowd, which included a group of Russian players and officials, attending Wimbledon as observers, saw some interesting play before the rain.

On the Centre Court, Australian favourite Lew Hoad just had time to complete a workmanlike win over Pierre Darmon, the leading Frenchman, 6-2, 6-4, 6-3.

Hoad, as defending champion, was accorded the traditional honour of being escorted to the umpire's chair by the President of the British Lawn Tennis Association, the Duke of Devonshire.

The burly, blond Hoad gave a sound display and at times served and volleyed with tremendous power. He also played many loose shots, which perhaps is understandable at this stage of the world's most testing tennis tournament.

GRAND SHOTS

Darmon occasionally pulled out some grand passing shots but generally the handsome Frenchman, who has a fine reputation on the slow hard courts of Europe, could not get going on the fast grass.

On the adjacent show court, Jaroslav Drobny, champion in 1954, scorned his 35 years to rip through the defences of Sweden's Sigitas Stockenberg to win 6-2, 6-2, 6-3. It was an impressive display by Drobny to his 15th successive challenge at Wimbledon.

Australian champion Ashley Cooper, who is seeded in most of the first round, had to face Drobny's next opponent, assuming the 20-year-old Australian survives the first round. The way Drobny played today suggested Cooper may need all his usual aggression to counter the left-hander's skill and craft.

Quickest winner among the early finishers was fifth-seeded Fraser of Australia, who beat E. Aranda, of Chile, 6-1, 6-2, 6-0 in less than 40 minutes.

First shock result was achieved by Roger Becker of Britain. He won 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 against the South African international Gordon Forbes, who had wins over Hoad and Drobny when in Europe last year.

Becker, though ranked number two in Britain, had not succeeded in gaining a place in his country's Davis Cup team this season.

NETWORTHY DEBUT

Among the newcomers to Wimbledon, Kosel Kamo, the first Japanese in the Men's Singles since the war, made a noteworthy debut. His greater experience and all-round court craft gained him a comfortable win by 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 over Chris Crawford, 17-year-old United States Junior Champion.

The 6 foot 3 inch, crop-cut American, who gave up baseball to concentrate on tennis,

troubled Kamo with his top-spin service in the first set, but the Japanese always had a light grip of the match.

Chalco Ayala, the stocky Choleco Champion, blunted America's challenge when he decisively beat third seeded Ham Richardson, the United States leading player, to provide the first major upset of the Championships. The 24-year-old Santiago player won 3-6, 6-4, 7-5, 6-4, the Centre Court match lasting less than an hour and a half.

Richardson was right out of touch after the first set and was outgeneraled by an extremely fit opponent who volleyed brilliantly and chased every ball.

The dusty Chalco had not been seeded, but though his win turned the seeding committee's list inside out, the result was not altogether unexpected, as Richardson's tennis this year has been severely restricted by studies at Oxford University, and his seeding was based on potential.

The removal of Richardson from the top half of the draw has made Cooper's path to the final appear much easier, as the only other seeds in this half are Flory (7), Sweden's Sven Davidson (4), America's Vic Seixas (5) and Australia's Mervyn Rose (8) are in Hoad's half.

In the last match of the day on the Centre Court, seeded Mervyn Rose of Australia was given a hard fight by Peruvian-born Alex Olmedo, before he ran out winner by 7-5, 12-10, 5-7 and 6-1.

Olmedo's cannonball first service frequently had Rose in trouble.

Less than half the day's programme could be completed because of the rain.

LADIES' DAY

The first Tuesday of the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships is traditionally ladies' day, but today the ladies must share the 10 courts with the men.

The 30 men's singles matches left over from yesterday's rain-spelled opening are down for decision in addition to the first matches in the women's singles.

Opening the women's court programme is an all-British match between Miss Shirley Bloomer, champion of Britain, Italy and France, and Miss Pat Ward, a semi-finalist at Wimbledon last year. They are expected to provide the keenest game of the first round.

Miss Bloomer is seeded third behind Miss Althea Gibson and Miss Louise Brough, both of the United States, which has produced the women's champion every year since the war. The two Americans play second-round matches, having received first round byes.

Long-legged Miss Gibson, favorite for the title, meets 22-year-old Mrs. Suzy Kormoczy (Hungarian), and Miss Brough plays Miss Mary Hawton, an Australian newcomer to Europe.

Three seeded players will be among the men in action, Ashley Cooper (Australia), Sven Davidson (Sweden), and Mervyn Rose (U.S.). All should reach round two without being extended.

THE RESULTS

Men's Singles (First Round). M. A. Fraser of Australia beat E. Aranda of Chile 6-1, 6-2 and 6-0.

Compton Hits 82 Against Yorkshire

London, June 24.

Middlesex, 171 for three on Saturday, went on batting against Yorkshire at Headingley today for six and three quarter hours in all and finished with a first innings lead of 283.

Denis Compton, in his farewell season, hit a masterly 82 in two hours 20 minutes. With a delightful variety of stroke play he hit twelve fours. There were flashes of the old Compton brilliance as he left his crease to crack the ball through the covers for boundaries.

Wicketkeeper John Murray also took toll of the depleted Yorkshire attack, hitting 73 out of 120 in nearly two and a quarter hours. Middlesex were in a strong position when rain stopped play at the close.

Geoff Smith, 31-year-old Kent fast medium bowler who also plays rugby, needed all his strength and stamina in this match against Sussex.

He bowled virtually throughout the remaining two and three-quarter hours of the Sussex innings, but thrived on the work, finishing with eight for 110.

These figures would have been even better but for dropped catches.

Henry Horton of Hampshire hit a century before their declaration at 280 for five against Nottinghamshire. He reached 114 not out, including eleven fours in a stay of three hours fifty minutes.

Only Ron Giles batted with any confidence for Nottinghamshire and he completed his first century of the season out of 182. He hit fifteen fours in his score of 101 which lasted three hours 25 minutes.

SEVEN FOR 81

But a brilliant spell of pace bowling by Derek Shackleton swung the game round in Hampshire's favour. He took four wickets cheaply in a period just before and after tea and finished 7-5.

Two International Boxing Clubs Dissolved By U.S. Federal Judge

New York, June 24.

Federal Judge Sylvester J. Ryan today ordered dissolution of the two International Boxing Clubs and complete divorcement of promoter Jim Norris and partner Arthur Wirtz from the Madison Square Garden Corporation.

Those two orders were the most important punches in today's decisions on remedies to smash the most powerful boxing combine in ring history, which already had been found guilty of monopoly in its promotion of title fights.

The divorcement of Norris and Wirtz from the Garden Corporation will be achieved, by forcing them to resign as President and Director of the Corporation respectively, within 30 days after July 1, and to lose all voting powers at that time.

They are ordered to dispose of their \$2-million worth of Garden shares within seven years.

The divorcement provisions, against which defence attorneys fought bitterly, directs that the Norris-Wirtz stock be transferred shortly after July 1 to a trust, which will hold it five years during which time Norris and Wirtz can sell it. But if the stock is not sold, the trust will be empowered to sell it within the next two years.

The Judge said today's orders will become effective on July 1, when he hands down his final judgment containing the technical details of carrying them out.

New York said the IBCs of New York and Illinois will be restrained from functioning in the promotion of title fights while they are being dissolved and their "purely nominal assets" are being taken over by the parent organisations, the Garden Corporation in New York and the Chicago Stadium Corporation in Illinois.

OTHER PROVISIONS

Other provisions decided today will declare void all exclusive contracts between any of the defendants and championship boxers or contenders and also all exclusive contracts with boxers other than those owned by the defendants.

After the dissolution and divorcement, the Garden Corporation and Chicago Stadium Corporation will be restricted for five years to the staging of only two world title fights each annually.

Government attorneys regarded today's decision as the most important in the history of organised sports because it is the first one that delves into the actual internal operations of a professional sports organisation.

Norris, Wirtz and their counsel, Kenneth C. Royall, said they did not know yet whether they would appeal to the United States Supreme Court from the decision.

Norris said: "Whether we appeal or don't appeal, I intend to remain in boxing even if only in the Midwest."—United Press.

Olympic Champion To Fight Floyd Patterson

New York, June 24.

Floyd Patterson, World Heavyweight Champion, has agreed to defend his title against a man who has never fought professionally, it was announced here today.

Patterson's opponent will be Pete Rademacher, the reigning Olympic Heavyweight Champion.

The "unique, fantastic" match was contingent on Patterson's backing Tommy "Hurricane" Jenkins in a title fight in New York on July 20, Mr. Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, said.

The bout is scheduled for August in Seattle.

If Patterson beats Jackson, as he is strongly favoured to do, the Patterson-Rademacher fight would mark the first time in boxing history that a world amateur champion has stepped directly into professional ranks for a bout with the professional Heavyweight Champion.

Mr. D'Amato said: "Rademacher's backers have lodged 250,000 dollars in a bank and we've already signed."

"Jack Hurley (Seattle promoter of the bout) said the fight will be a 30,000 crowd sell-out and will draw at least 500,000 dollars at the gate."

"It's a unique, fantastic idea, matching the Olympic Champion, a fighter who never won a professional fight against the World Heavyweight Champion."—China Mail Special.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

The following players have been selected to represent their respective clubs in the postponed lawn bowls league games during the week.

1st Division (A) v KOC, today at 5.30 p.m.: G. H. Dunning, E. R. Walker, R. H. Walker, S. H. Martin, S. G. Miles, S. H. Martin, T. Chalmers, T. Pickington (Skip); G. Seymour, R. J. Smith (Skip).

2nd Division (A) v MCC, tomorrow at 5.30 p.m.: C. M. Vasson, G. A. Marquis, C. Vasson, G. A. Marquis (Skip); T. H. Dunning, C. A. Marquis, T. H. Dunning (Skip); R. J. Smith, R. J. Smith (Skip).

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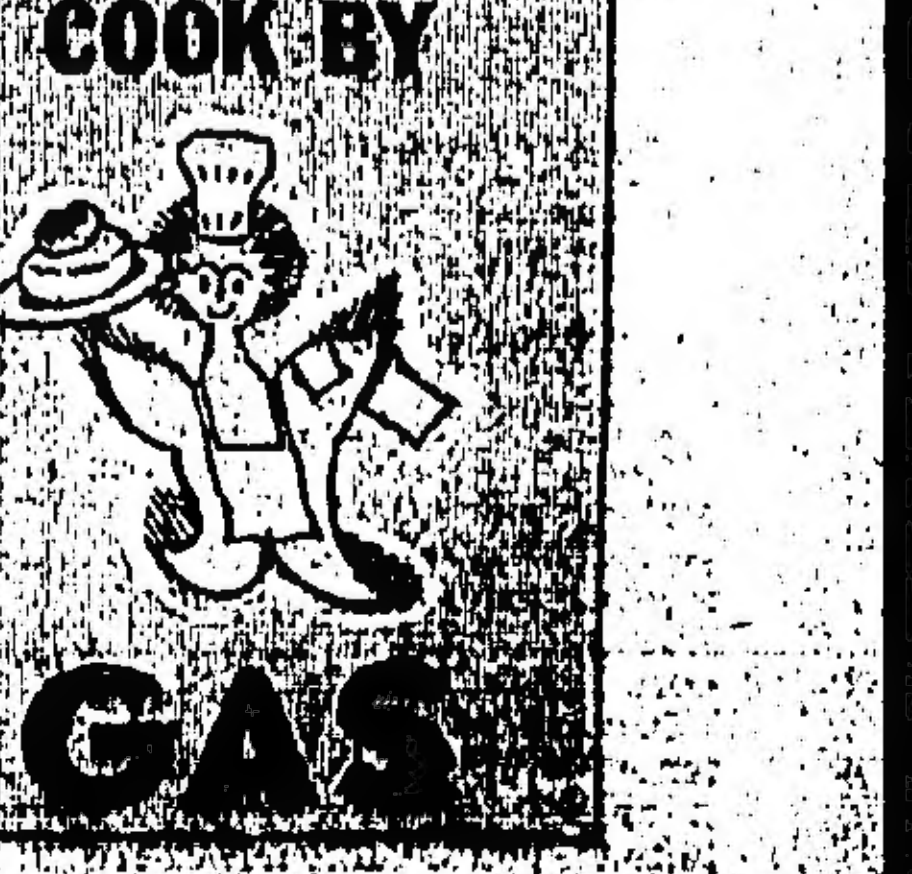
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TWO FORMER CHAMPIONS BOW OUT

Yesterday's Lawn Bowls

By "TOUCHER"

Robert Lapsley of Kowloon Dock Club and Sherry Bucks of Indian Recreation Club took top honours in yesterday's Colony Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship matches by each eliminating a former Colony champion to lead nine other competitors into the last thirty-two of the event.

Lapsley played exceptionally fine bowls at the Hongkong Cricket Club to score a 21-15 win over the 1952 Colony champion, M. B. Hassan, after 24 heads.

In contrast Hassan was far below his usual form and, after falling with his usual heavy resting shots, was never able to regain his weight control until the last few heads when it was too late.

Lapsley took a 3-0 lead on the first two heads and forged ahead to 4-1 on the fourth with a steady display of drawing to the jack.

Hassan came back with two leads and a single to take a 6-4 lead. Play was very close at this stage and up to 8-9 on the 13th head, when Lapsley drew four beautiful shots all within a foot of the jack.

Hassan's heavy draws all went past and the maximum count put Lapsley into a 13-8

lead which he never relinquished. Hassan, however, made a gallant but belated stand after trailing behind 9-20 on the 20th head. For three heads he staved off the match shot and knocked up a two, a single and a three to narrow the gap to 16-20.

On the 24th head he was lying two shots when Lapsley drew a toucher with his second last wood. Attempting a dead draw, Hassan fell a foot short and the match was over.

HIGH STANDARD

At Hongkong Football Club, former Colony champion and Hongkong's Empire Games representative Alfred Coates was the next to join the ranks of this year's defeated champions

by losing to Indian Recreation Club's promising bowler Sherry Bucks.

Although the final score was 22-11 in favour of the winner, play was extremely close and of a very high standard, with woods never further than two feet away from the jack.

In the 20 heads played, Bucks scored on twelve and Coates on eight, but the ability of Bucks to chalk up frequent twos with his accurate resting shots shifted the advantage well into his favour.

Bucks played so well that at the conclusion of the game Coates remarked that he did not regret losing.

"I played very good bowls today," he said, "but Bucks played an even better game, and on today's form he even stands a very good chance of winning this year's title."

Nine more second round matches of the Open Singles event will be played off today.

The two best games of the evening will probably be seen at Kowloon Dock Club where John Tang of Kowloon Cricket Club will be pitted against Craigengower's C. C. Ma and former champion Joe Landolt will be up against G. F. Santos, who in the first round eliminated ex-champion C. C. Pereira.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

At HKCC
R. Tay (CCC) beat S. Telford (KDC) 21-10.
M. B. Hassan (IRC) lost to R. Lapsley (KDC) 15-21.

At HKFC
M. Merchant (CCC) beat C. Gough (FRC) 21-15.
S. Bucks (IRC) beat A. E. Coates (CCC) 22-11.

At CCC
B. Douglas (CC) beat J. McKintyre (KDC) 22-20.
O. N. Holgate (HKFC) beat A. R. Marques (Recreo) 21-18.

At PRO
A. M. Omar (IRC) beat H. Black (HKFC) 21-10.
At KDC
W. McKay (KDC) lost to W. M. McCall (KDC) 22-19.
W. L. Riley (KDC) beat V. C. Baad (KDC) 23-11.

At Recreo
P. Hughes (KDC) beat F. Howarth (HKFC) 22-8.

At IRC
G. Hong Choy (CCC) beat K. Almas (HKCC) 21-5.

At KDC
C. K. Sung (CCC) beat D. B. Sequelra (KCC).

Open Pairs, 1st Round
M. McKintyre & J. E. Hayward (HKFA) beat R. Laurel & C. Pope (FRC) by walkover.

TODAY'S GAMES
Colony Open Singles, Second Round
At HKCC
C. Pope (FRC) v. R. C. Shies, Jr. (Recreo).

At KDC
R. G. Laurel (KCC) v. R. F. Luz (Recreo).

At PRO
J. Tang (KCC) v. C. C. Ma (CCC).

At HKFC
J. S. Landolt (KCC) v. G. F. Santos (CCC).

At IRC
F. A. Santos (FC) v. R. M. Hetherington (USRC).

At HKFC
A. R. Minu (IRC) v. D. L. Edwards (USRC).

At KDC
S. M. Rumliah (IRC) v. G. A. Souza (CCC).

At PRO
C. R. Rossiter (CCC) v. J. M. A. Ramjahn (IRC).

At KCC
G. F. Leslie (KDC) v. S. L. Leonard (CCC).

AROUND HOLLYWOOD

COMEDIES ARE BEST IN BLACK AND WHITE, SAYS WILLIAM PERLBERG

By RON BURTON

Black and white films versus colour and the chemistry of leading players are two topics of great influence in making pictures these days, according to producer William Perlberg.

"Colour is a fine attraction to have in a picture, but it also can be a distraction in certain types of pictures," Perlberg said. "Of course, we don't all think alike on a lot of things, but I'm sure that colour and comedy don't mix. I'd shoot a comedy in black and white. A musical is another matter—that should be done in colour, I think."

This business can go in opposite ways, Perlberg believes. Comedy is good in black and white, and so is something on the dramatic side—a story of tragedy or despair.

"We're shooting 'Teacher's Pet' in black and white because it's a comedy," Perlberg said. "We're going to make it light, too. I'll be light enough so you can see the entire facial expression an actor makes. In many cases a point of comedy—and thus a laugh—would be lost to the audience simply because people couldn't see a darkened scene."

THAT CHEMISTRY

"VistaVision is good in colour, but here it will be in black and white. We'll light up even rear subjects so they can be seen. VistaVision has an interesting quality of being able to hold objects in focus although they're not very close to each other."

Perlberg's attention to the chemistry of actors has resulted in a team of Clark Gable and Doris Day in the picture he and director George Seaton are making for Paramount. He thinks they're a good film couple.

"You never know who'll go over big and who won't," he said. "We try to team up the right leader, but there's always no assurance they'll click with audiences. I don't know why some go over big and others don't. I think there's a chemistry behind it, but I can't explain it—and I don't know anyone else here who can. Certain combinations seem to generate something—let's call it chemistry because I don't know what else to call it."

"Some teams seem to explode. Some sizzle. Some don't even get to a boil of stay lukewarm. And others, I'm sorry to say, leave audiences cold."

Jimmy, a raven who gets to ravin' if he doesn't have sugar on his dinner meal, does fine in front of cameras as long as he isn't fooling around, according to one of his co-stars, Jim Brown.

Jimmy has appeared in 24 films and is currently feathering his nest further with action in "The Gentle Kingdom." His

SOUTH CHINA TEAM IN SINGAPORE

Singapore, June 24. The South China football team of Hongkong arrived in Singapore tonight from Manila via Hongkong. The team will leave for Indonesia tomorrow where they are engaged to play a series of games.—Reuter.

credits include "Noah's Ark," "The Golden Hawk" and "Robin Hood."

"Now this is a real Hollywood bird," Brown said. "I think he has a star complex. We put meat out for him, and he wouldn't touch it. Then it was suggested by name—probably by the bird himself—that sugar be added. It was, and Jimmy ate it."

Jimmy received star treatment when he arrived for shots for "The Gentle Kingdom." He had a fancy cage in the rear of a 1937 Ford station wagon with his meals (sugared to taste) laid out for him on a raven-sized banquet table. It was at this point that witnesses swear he refused the meat and yelled, "Sugar! Sugar!" Since there were no starlets around, someone concluded Jimmy was asking for sugar on his otherwise unappetizing meal.

DISENCHANTED

"I'm disenchanted as far as he's concerned," Brown said. "When we were making a 'Rin Tin Tin' television film the bird snatched up behind an Indian and kept pulling off his wig—this while the cameras were going. And lots of other times he swipes things from pockets, tables—anywhere."

"However, when he feels like working, he does a swell job in front of a camera. He is obviously a very alert and bright bird and adds plenty to any production, but I sure wouldn't want to handle him as a full-time job."

With the Jack Webb cast and crew, the coffee break lasts all day. That's because Webb, a coffee-lover who daily averages a dozen cups, hasn't forgotten his less affluent days when he had to put up a dime for a cup of coffee where he worked.

"I was a radio actor in San Francisco," he said. "We had a coffee kiddy and had to have a dime per cup. It seemed to me that I never had the right change when I wanted a cup of coffee. After several of these instances, I decided that if I ever amounted to anything, the coffee where I worked would be on the house."

It is Webb's Mark VII Ltd. production company has the friendly custom of free coffee today as it has had for the past seven years. Actually it's just one of several extra features of the Webb production which seems to be the most popular.

Webb thinks it's nice to see that free coffee is provided, but he also thinks that it might just be paying off.

MARINES LIKED IT

"I believe that creative people particularly do their best work when they can relax now and then over a cup of coffee," he said. "That's why we have it all day around here. We drink a lot of coffee, and I have nothing to complain about the way the work goes on."

Hollywood

A coffee consumption mark was set during filming of "The D.I." Webb's new picture about the Marine Corps for Warner Bros. release. The daily intake rose to 23 gallons when 54 Marines arrived from San Diego to play small parts in the picture.

The chief of the coffee pot at Webb's outfit is Charles Golde, who happens to be the father of actress Sheila Ryan. Golde's tenure began in 1953. He tells those who are curious enough to ask that he uses only the best brands of coffee and a filter-type maker.

The Marines were pleasantly surprised by the coffee habit as practised on the set. This applied particularly to T/Sgt. Louis F. Lazarko, who was in charge of the Marines in the picture.

"The non-coms at the base keep coffee boiling all day long," he said. "Working for Webb in this picture was almost like being back at the base—as far as the coffee goes, that is."

Brian Keith has his own little gag about the phrase out-of-work actors often use to describe their status—"between pictures."

"I hold a world record," he said. "I was between pictures for 28 years."

However, in Keith's case there was not the idleness suggested by the unemployment implication of "between pictures." He was doing plenty in the intervening years, and with him the situation is really more of his completing a circle.

Keith was all of three years old when he appeared in "The Pled Piper of Malore," which starred Thomas Meighan, Lois Wilson and Henry Stevenson. Keith, son of veteran stage and film star Robert Keith, said that it was just a case of temperament that made him "quit" movies after his first part. It wasn't until 1952 that he appeared in another motion picture.

"I suppose I came by my love of show business naturally," he said. "After all, I guess I was one of those born-in-a-trunk cases. I decided on an acting career for myself at quite an early age, but I didn't want to trade on my father's reputation in the motion picture business."

Keith entered the Marine Corps in World War II and actually didn't have his first solid acting opportunity until 1949 when he worked in American Theatre Wing shows put on for veterans' hospitals and other service groups.

In the next year he worked in radio in New York and got a break when he was hired as understudy for a sailor in "Mister Roberts." He understudied six roles in the Broadway hit and wound up with one of the leading roles in the Chicago company. Finally he came back to Hollywood, where his current work is for Universal-International in "Run of the Arrow."—United Press.

Hogan Bassey Wins World Featherweight Boxing Title

Paris, June 24.

Hogan Bassey, of Nigeria, the British Empire Featherweight Champion, won the vacant world title here tonight when he crushed Cherif Hamia, of France, to defeat in the tenth round of their scheduled 15 rounds contest.

Referee Rene Schemann, of France, stopped the fight to prevent Hamia taking unnecessary punishment.

The bustling Nigerian, first boxer from his country to win a world title, takes over the championship vacated by Sandy Saddler, of the United States. Hamia was gradually worn down by the pace of the contest fought at high speed.

By the seventh round Bassey seemed to have the measure of the European Champion. Slowing the pace slightly in the eighth and ninth, he cut loose in the tenth round.

Punching savagely in a tremendous onslaught on the Frenchman, Bassey sent Hamia reeling across the ring, mouth agape and blood streaming from his eye and nose. Tiger-like, he kept after Hamia until the referee stepped in to release the Frenchman from the slaughter.

COMPULSORY COUNT

Up to the end of the sixth round, when Bassey opened a slight cut near Hamia's right eye, the fight had been fairly even. Hamia had been boxing cleverly, countering well and making the Nigerian miss. In the second round he put Bassey down for a compulsory count of seven with two hooks, left and right.

But the relentless pressure of the Nigerian was telling, and Hamia had no answer to the storm which broke over him in the tenth round.—Reuter.

Peter Keenan To Fight Italian Tomorrow

London, June 24. Filipino Bantamweight Boxing Champion Tanny Campo has been replaced by Italy's Roberto Tarrini in Wednesday's non-title fight at Glasgow against Peter Keenan, the British Empire Bantamweight Champion.

Boxing promoter Sam Docherty had originally engaged Campo against Keenan but the Filipino is scheduled to meet France's Alphonse Halimi, the World Bantamweight Champion, in a non-title fight at Marseilles on July 7.

The French Boxing Federation is holding Campo to the contract clause forbidding him to fight within 12 days before his fight with Halimi.—France-Press.

George Barnes Will Defend British Title

Sydney, June 24. George Barnes (Australia) will defend his British Empire Featherweight Boxing Championship against Abdul Clottery, of Ghana, at the Sydney Stadium here on August 12.

It will be Barnes' fourth defence of the title. He retained it against Clottery with a disputed points decision here in December 1956.—Reuter.

Delaney Wins Irish Mile Of The Year Race

Dublin, June 24.

The Irish Mile of the Year in Dublin tonight was won by Olympic Champion Ronnie Delaney of Ireland over Brian Hewson of Britain and Gordon Pirie of Britain.

After a first quarter in 60 seconds dead, the two British pacers, John Cameron and J. Davies, failed to keep up the running and the time was disappointing—four minutes 9.7 seconds.

Conditions were good and a 4,000 crowd cheered the runners into a tremendous last lap of 51 seconds.

First, Delaney pulled out at the bell, but Pirie made an unexpected burst to head the field with 200 yards to go.

Hewson, Britain's four-minute miler, overhauled Pirie into the last head and in the straight, Delaney, four yards behind, had to kick his hardest to get up with Hewson and beat him by one yard in a thrilling finish.

Afterwards, Hewson said, "The better time later this year, Delaney said, 'I hope I do a better time later this year."

The fastest mile run on grass stands at four minutes 1.4 seconds.—France-Press.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Tennis

Men's "A" Division: HKGCA "2" v. CCC, KCC v. SCAC, HKCC v. LRC, CFC v. HKFC, "1" HKFC v. HKFC, HKCC v. HKCC.

Lawn Bowls

Second Round of Colony Open Singles Championships, matches to be played at the following clubs: KDC, HKCC, KCC, HKCC, HKFC and PRC.

Meeting

Chinese Football Association meeting at Sports Road, 7 p.m.

TOMORROW

Tennis

Men's "C" Division: HKGCA v. Urban, CCAA v. KCC, HKCC v. CFC (1), LRC v. LRC.

Bowls

Open Singles: Second Round matches at HKFC, HKCC, KCC.

Ladies' Open Singles: Matches at KCC, HKCC, PRC.

2nd Division League: PRC v. HKCC.

2nd Division League: CCC v. HKCC, HKCC v. HKCC, HKCC v. HKCC.

Other

Inter-Unit Tourney: HKFC v. HKCC, HKCC v. HKCC.

Weekes Out Of Action

London, June 24. Everton Weekes, the West Indian batsman, has chipped a finger bone and will be out of action for at least a week.

This means he will miss his team's brief visit to Holland and also the match against Derbyshire at Chesterfield on Saturday.

Weekes injured his hand when struck by a ball from Trevor Bailey on the final day of the second Test at Lord's on Saturday.

Clyde Walcott, the vice-captain, is another who will not be in the party leaving for Holland on Wednesday.

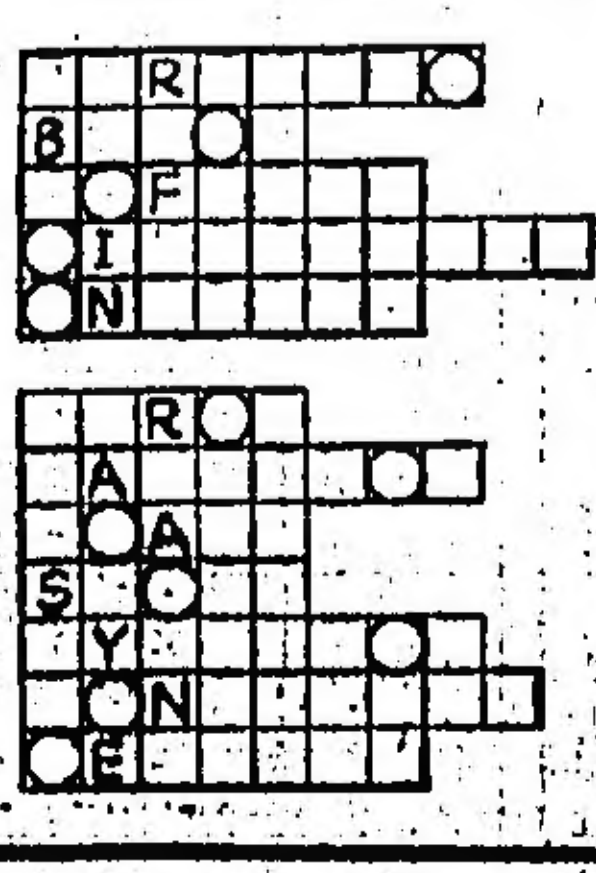
He will miss his strained leg and it is likely that Nyrn Agerwal will also remain in England. He has pulled muscles in both legs.—France-Press.



NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

- 1 In the front line
- 2 Foot wear
- 3 Umpire
- 4 Triumphant
- 5 European nation
- 6 Famous race
- 7 American game
- 8 They are scored
- 9 Result
- 10 Middlebrough Park
- 11 Punishment
- 12 Discs

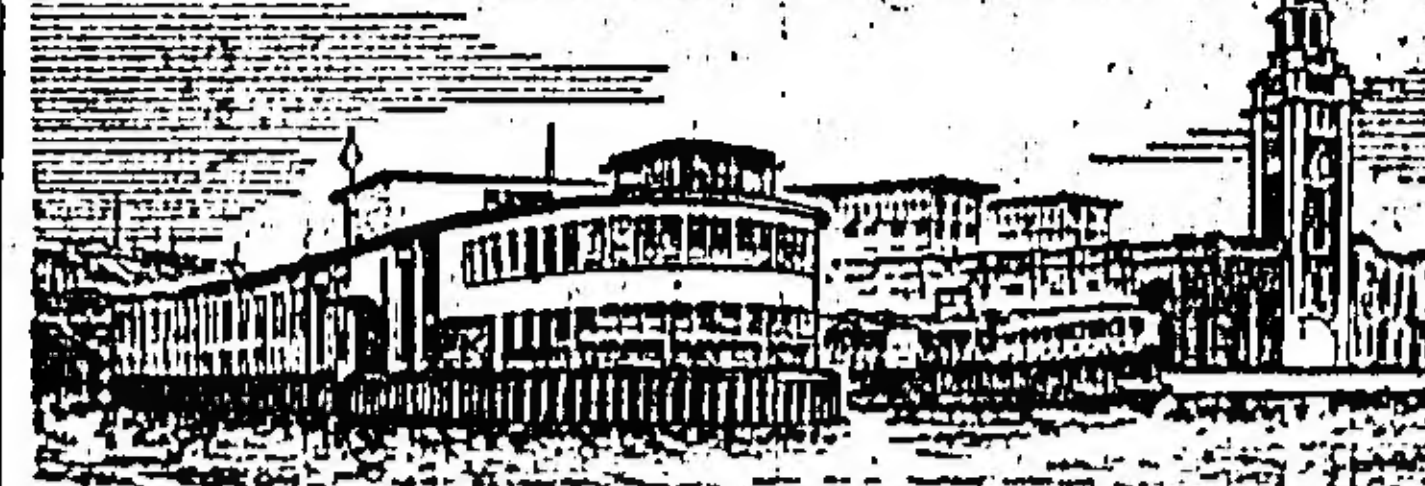


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JUDICIARY, LEGAL PROFESSION PAY RESPECTS TO THE LATE MR WOO HANG-KAM

THE Judiciary and members of the legal profession gathered together in the Supreme Court this morning to express their great regard for the well-known solicitor, the late Mr Woo Hang-kam, and their profound regret at his passing.

The most senior solicitor in Hongkong and a respected member of the community, Mr Woo died at his residence in Seymour Road last Friday, after a long illness at the age of 80.

The Full Court convened this morning in his memory and tributes were paid by the President, the Chief Justice, Mr Justice M. J. Hogan, the Solicitor-General, Mr Arthur Hoolon, QC, the Leader of the Bar, the Hon. Leo d'Almada QC, and the President of the Law Society, Mr Y. K. Kan.

TRIBUTE BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE

Also present were the District Judges, Mr James Wicks, Mr K. R. Macfee and Mr R. H. Mills-Owen; the Registrar, Mr Justice T. J. Gould; Puisne Judge, Mr C. W. Rees; and Acting Puisne Judge, Mr Justice A. D. Scholes.

Members of the family of the late Mr Woo also attended. The Chief Justice said: "We are gathered here today to express our sorrow and regret at the passing of another member of our profession, Mr Hang-kam Woo whom I did not personally know, but whose name I have heard of for many years."

"But many others here will have had the privilege of knowing him personally and will remember him with that affection which comes from personal contact and the keener sorrow which springs from it."

"Mr Woo was born in 1876 and educated at Queen's College, Hongkong. He also taught mathematics there and was a past President of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association."

"He went to England and was called to the bar in 1904, and during his stay there, he took the degree of LL.B. from London University, with honours."

DEEP KNOWLEDGE OF CHINESE CULTURE

"In 1913 he returned to Hongkong and was admitted to practice as a solicitor in January of that year. He joined the late Mr George K. Hall Brutton and later became a partner of Messrs George K. Hall Brutton which is now Brutton and Co. In 1923 he started practice on his own and in 1925 he and Mr F. E. Neale went into partnership. In 1935 this partnership was dissolved and Mr Woo became the principal of Messrs Woo and Woo."

"During the Japanese occupation Mr Woo left the Colony for China. He returned in 1946 and he died last week on June 21 after a long illness."

"In addition to his knowledge of the law, Mr Woo also had a deep knowledge of Chinese culture and of the Chinese language. He obtained a scholarship in Chinese at the University of London and was the joint author with Professor Daniel Jones of a book 'The Cantonese Phonetic Reader.' He was a member of the Education Board and in 1939 was made a Justice of the Peace."

Peace. He was Chinese examiner of the University of Hongkong for many years.

"Mr Woo has a son who was also a solicitor—I am told, a very able one—who died during the Japanese occupation. He is survived by his wife, three sons and eight daughters. I express on behalf of my brothers of the Supreme Court Bench and all who work in the Judiciary, our very sincere sympathy with all those who survive him."

A GENTLEMAN IN EVERY REGARD

The Solicitor-General said on behalf of the Attorney-General and all members of the Legal Department: "I wish to associate myself and them with what has fallen from your Lordship and to express our deepest sympathy with the widow, sons, daughters and relatives."

"The Hon. Leo d'Almada said: 'The President of this Court was indeed right when he said that those who knew Mr H. K. Woo could count it a privilege.'"

"I knew him for some 27 years during the whole of which time I found him, both professionally and personally, to be a gentleman in every regard."

"It was natural that I should know him better professionally and socially and that, therefore, I should be able to say more about him in that regard."

"As a solicitor he was always meticulously careful in his instructions to counsel. They were always written instructions and a model of clarity."

"At conferences he carried out his duties in the best traditions of his branch of the profession."

"The President also mentioned the fact that Mr Woo lost a solicitor son during the Pacific War. I remember that particularly well because, coming back as all of us did at the end of the war, particularly satisfied and happy over its successful termination, so did Mr Woo, only to learn, on his return to Hongkong, in that happy frame of mind, that he had suffered this grievous loss. He had no news of this while he was in free China."

"I think the junior branch of the profession has lost a valuable member in his death. I am sure his family has lost an affectionate father and his widow an excellent husband. To them, the family, the Bar wishes to express their deepest sympathy."

"For almost half a century, the late Mr Woo distinguished himself, not only in his successful legal practice, but also in other activities. He was a revered Chinese scholar and he rendered long and valuable service to the community both as a member of the Board of Education and as an examiner in Chinese in the University of Hongkong."

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And Respect

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AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

State Opera House Receives Support Of Labour Party

By H. KING WOOD

Sydney, (By Airmail).

The unofficial parliament of NSW—the State Australian Labour Party Annual Conference—met in Sydney during the holiday weekend and did quite a lot of things to pinpoint more than ever the fact that it believes that it has some considerable hold on the Government even if the belief is greater than reality.

It should be kept in mind that most members of the State Parliament attended some of the sittings and even if they didn't, they do have considerable sway in their Labour branches. Also the majority of union secretaries and presidents are members of the State Upper House and that the Premier, Mr Cahill, was at times an unhappy listener at the official table.

The Conference moved for three weeks annual leave for all employees under state awards (instead of the present two); attacked the penal clauses in Federal and State Arbitration Acts; suggested a General Press Council; and it readmitted to membership Mr Joe Arthur, one-time Minister of Mines, who was expelled in 1953 for associating with forger—Reg Doyle.

It also gave its support to the building of the £23-million State Opera House (which was unexpected) and quite happily kicked the Government to pieces for its plan to grant the retiring Governor, Sir John Northcott, a pension of £3,000—which was expected.

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Agriculture, as General Manager. The Chase Syndicate has taken over the land from the Western Australian Government for a very small figure and it is part of the agreement that it will return to the Government a considerable sum over a number of years.

Scheme Ahead

Head of the Syndicate, Mr Allen Chase, recently made a tour of 700 miles of the area and said afterwards that the scheme had gone more rapidly than scheduled.

Contracts had been let for supply of £17,000 worth of steel fencing posts and ten sites had been selected as water bore points.

Preliminary negotiations had started with British and US interests for the establishment of super-phosphate works.

The Syndicate hopes to convert that now virtual desert into one of the greatest farming communities in Australia.

Canberra

The national capital of Canberra, while far from being a city in the real sense of the word, is gradually coming to be regarded as the centre of the nation's administration.

One pointer in this direction is the fact that diplomatic representatives of 23 nations are now permanently established there.

Eight other nations whose diplomatic headquarters are in Sydney or Melbourne will be transferred to the national capital as soon as accommodation is available.

Before World War II the British High Commissioner was the only overseas diplomat in Australia, but today more than 150 diplomats and their wives and children have turned the capital—which has a large migrant population—into a cosmopolitan city.

Some of the embassies which have been erected in recent years would grace any city.

Colonial Design

Most outstanding, perhaps, is the US Embassy which is the American colonial design and Sweden's legation was built to a Sultan prize-winning design.

The £200,000 offices of the German Embassy and the South African High Commissioner's residence, built in the style of South Africa's traditional Cape Dutch architecture, are under construction.

Evacuations have begun for a new French Embassy and work is about to start on the Canadian offices in the Plaza area at present going through official quarters for buildings for the official offices of India, and the Malayan Federation, while Italian, Japanese, and Israeli representatives are preparing plans for buildings which are to be erected as soon as official approval is received and workmen can be found.

Many more people are becoming aware of Canberra, and it is becoming quite a tourist attraction.

Steel City

Port Kembla, which has already ousted Newcastle as the greatest steel producing city in the Southern Hemisphere, is now to have a new £9 million coke manufacturing plant. It is being built by the Australian Iron and Steel Ltd. and will increase the present coke-making capacity at the steel works by two-thirds, raising it to about 1½ million tons a year.

The new plant will also bring the total production of gas at the steel works to more than the total for the city of Sydney.

Each 24 hours the new plant will produce 1,820 tons of blast furnace gas, 31 million cubic feet of coke oven gas, 14,000 gallons of tar, 23 tons of sulphate of ammonia and 6,000 gallons of light oil, from which benzol, toluol, solvent naphtha and other chemicals are obtained.

Value of industrial installations at Port Kembla over the last 20 years is said to exceed £100 million.

Influx

The Influential Metal Trades Employers' Association of NSW and Queensland has asked the Minister for Trade to take action to prevent an influx of cheap Japanese goods, but Sydney importers do not expect a flood of Japanese goods as a result of the proposed Japan-Australia agreement.

Japanese businessmen in Australia are also going to considerable pains to give assurances that there will be no dumping of goods at a price which leaves the Australian-made product far behind.

Mr S. Satow, director of one large Japanese firm in Sydney, said the experience of before the war would not be repeated.

Quality

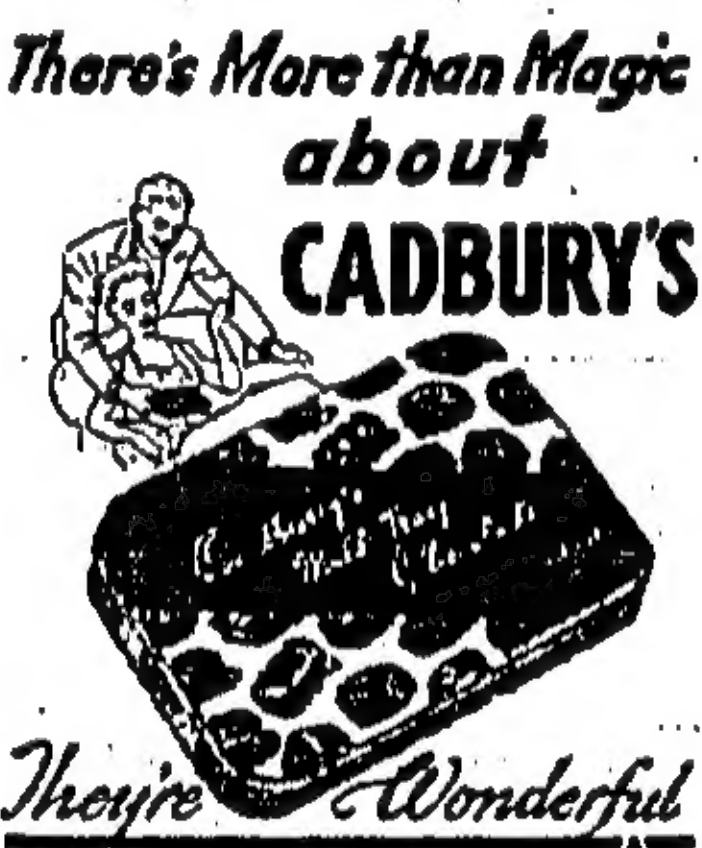
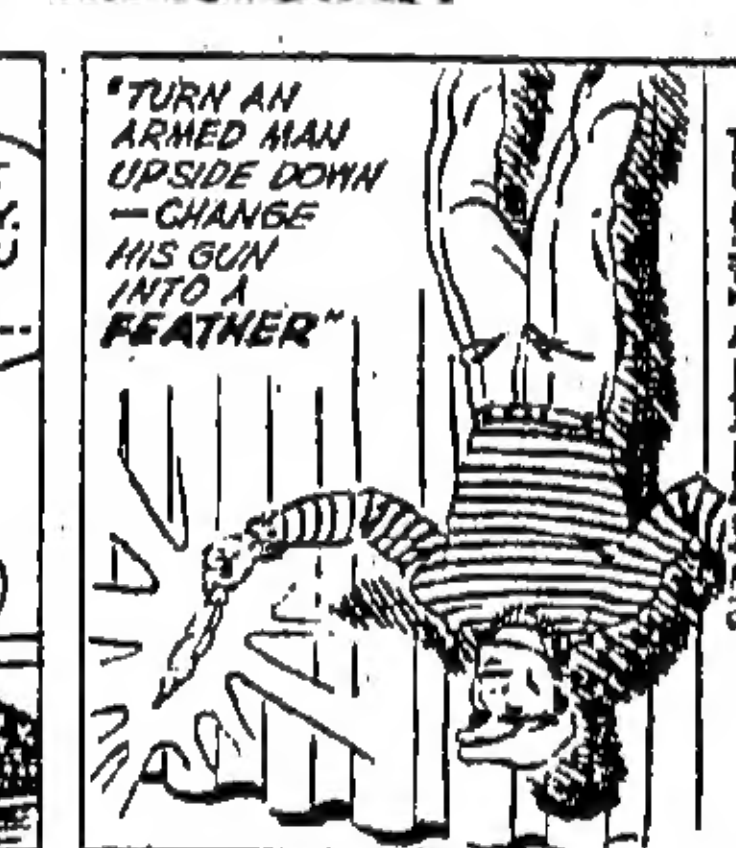
"Japanese manufacturers have the emphasis on quality now," he said. "Our cotton and nylon and our machines and tools are competing with Czech and Western German goods."

What is worrying businessmen is not so much the dumping of Japanese "rubbish" but rather the importation of high-quality goods at a price which leaves the Australian-made product far behind.

They have in mind the experience of experts with the army in New Guinea who were amazed at the quality of the Japanese equipment captured.

They are also aware that they already are marketing in Sydney a fountain pen which is completely identical with a well-known US brand which sells here for \$8.110. The price of the Japanese goods is 7/9.

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